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SUBJ: TRAVEL OF CUSTOMS DIRECTOR TAHIR

1. INDONESIAN CUSTOMS HAVE ADVISED EMBASSY THAT GEN. TAHIR ACCEPTS US CUSTOMS INVITATION TO VISIT U.S. ALONG WITH TWO AIDES. ACCOMPANYING HIM WILL BE MR. CONDOUW, DIRECTOR OF ANTI-SMUGGLING DIVISION, AND MR. SOEHARDJO, CHIEF OF EVALUATION AND SPECIAL ACTIVITIES9

2. TAHIR AND PARTY WOULD LIKE TO DEPART ABOUT JUNE 28-30. WE HAVE, HOWEVER, CAUTIONED THEM THAT US CUSTOMS MAY NOT BE IN POSITION TO PROGRAM VISIT ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE; AND THEY WOULD BE AGREEABLE TO POSTPONING VISIT FOR TWO OR THREE WEEKS IF US CUSTOMS DESIRES. WE HAVE ASKED INDONESIANS TO LET US KNOW THEIR PREFERENCES ON DURATION OF VISIT AND ANY SPECIAL PROGRAMMING DESIRES AND EXPECT TO BE HEARING FURTHER FROM THEM IN NEXT FEW DAYS.

3. AS PROGRAMMING SUGGESTION, EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT
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INDONESIAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN NEW YORK, MANY

OF WHOSE MEMBER COMPANIES HAVE EXTENSIVE DEALINGS WITH
INDONESIAN CUSTOMS, MIGHT WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO OFFER
HOSPITALITY TO TAHIR AND PARTY IN NEW YORK AND,
PERHAPS, AT OTHER POINTS ON HIS ITINERARY IN THE U.S.
WE RECOMMEND THAT DORNHEIM OF EA/IMS COORDINATE WITH
CUSTOMS ON THIS, AND IF THEY ARE AGREEABLE, CONTACT
LADD JOHNSON OF CHAMBER TO SEE WHAT MIGHT BE ARRANGED.

4. ACTION REQUESTED : WOULD APPRECIATE EARLY REPLY ON
FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. RECOMMENDED DATES FOR TRIP.

B. PROCEDURES FOR ISSUING TICKETS TO TAHIR AND PARTY.
(THEY HAVE ASKED IF IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO SCHEDULE ONE
OVERNIGHT STOP TO BREAK LONG FLIGHT FROM INDONESIA
TO U.S.).

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WE SHOULD PROVIDE TAHIR AND
PARTY IN ADVANCE OF TRIP.

D. METHOD OF PAYING PER DIEM AND AMOUNTS.

E. FURTHER INFORMATION CUSTOMS REQUIRES FROM EMBASSY IN
ORDER TO PREPARE FOR TRIP.

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